(d) if not, the action proposed to be taken by Government against the culprits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (c) No, Sir.

(b) and (d) In view of (a) and (c) above, the questions do not arise.

Naturopathy system of treatment

†2117. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given reorganization to Naturopathy as system of medicine;

(b) if , whether there is any plan to operate and develop it as a department under his Ministry;

(c) whether any procedure is being evolved for the registration of the doctors who are doing private practice under this system; and

(d) if so, by when it would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH **AND** FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) **No.** Sir. No reorganization of Naturopathy has been done. However, Naturopathy has been recognized by the Government of India as one of the six Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy. There is already a separate 'Department of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)' for the promotion, propagation and development of these Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy including Naturopathy.

(c) and (d) Registration of Naturopathy and Yoga practitioners is being done in States like Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu by their State Boards of Indian Medicine. Instructions have been issued to all the States to evolve a regulatory mechanism for regulating the practice of Yoga and Naturopathy.